Water has been and always will be California's most precious natural resource. The demand for California's limited water from urban, agricultural, industrial and environmental uses grows daily. Considering the unpredictable but certain effects of global climate change in addition to our existing water requirements makes the efficient use and conservation of our water resources a critical imperative.

As a resident of the Sacramento Delta who has spent more than 30 years dealing with water issues at both state and federal levels, the Lieutenant Governor understands the implications that our changing hydrology may have on California's future economy.

The Lieutenant Governor is in the process of developing a plan to assist water managers to take greater advantage of existing technology and ongoing water research to more efficiently adapt to changes in our state's hydrologic patterns. Working with leaders and experts in this field, this plan has the potential to revolutionize California's water management system.